

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. **(Currently Amended)** An endoscope equipment shipping device, comprising:
 - an inflatable bladder that is configured to fit within a standard case supplied with new flexible endoscope equipment when foam inserts are removed from the standard case;
 - a plurality of baffles located at predetermined locations in the bladder such that when the bladder is inflated, the shipping device takes the form of the standard case's interior volume when the foam inserts are removed from the standard case; and
 - a valve located adjacent the inflatable bladder **wherein the bladder includes a front side attached to a rear side by a hinge portion, and the bladder has a maximum height and maximum width of approximately 16 inches by approximately 22 inches when in the inflated state and configured for shipment, such that when the bladder is configured for shipment, it fits into the standard case supplied with a new flexible endoscope when the foam inserts are removed from the standard case.**
2. **(Original)** The endoscope equipment shipping device of claim 1, wherein the inflatable bladder is shaped such that when the inflatable bladder is configured for shipping it forms a pouch with a front side, a rear side, and an open edge, the front side and rear side being configured to contain the endoscope equipment therebetween when the bladder is configured for shipping, and the open edge having a seal for closing the pouch.
3. **(Original)** The endoscope equipment shipping device of claim 1, wherein the baffles include a plurality of horizontally oriented baffles and at least one vertically oriented baffle.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The endoscope equipment shipping device of claim 1, wherein the shipping device has a maximum thickness of approximately 5 inches when in a totally inflated state.

6. (Original) The endoscope equipment shipping device of claim 1, wherein the bladder is configured to form a pouch such that the shipping device has three closed edges, an open edge, and a front side and a rear side, and the bladder includes a plurality of horizontally oriented baffles in the front side of the shipping device, and a plurality of horizontally oriented baffles in the rear side of the shipping device.

7. (Original) The endoscope equipment shipping device of claim 6, wherein the bladder includes a baffle configured to frame the plurality of horizontally oriented baffles in the front side of the shipping device.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) The endoscope equipment shipping device of claim 1, wherein the shipping device includes a front side attached to a rear side by a hinge portion, **and the shipping device has a maximum height and maximum width of approximately 16 inches by approximately 22 inches when in the inflated state and configured for shipment, such that when the shipping device is configured for shipment, it fits into the standard case supplied with a new flexible endoscope when the foam inserts are removed from the standard case.**

10. (Currently Amended) An equipment shipping kit, comprising:
a pouch formed by at least one inflatable bladder and including,

a plurality of baffles, and
a valve located adjacent to the inflatable bladder; **and**
a primary pouch including an open end having a seal; and
a return pouch formed by at least one inflatable bladder and including
a plurality of baffles,
an opening located at an end of said return pouch, and
a valve located adjacent the inflatable bladder of the return pouch.

11. (Original) The equipment shipping kit of claim 10, further comprising:
a secondary pouch including an open end having a seal.

12. (Currently Amended) The equipment shipping kit of claim 10, further comprising:
a plurality of caps configured ~~to be placed over portions of the equipment~~ to protect
the pouch during shipment of the equipment.

13. (Currently Amended) The equipment shipping kit of claim 10, further comprising:

a medical scope device located within the pouch
a return pouch formed by at least one inflatable bladder and including
a plurality of baffles,
an opening located at an end of said return pouch, and
a valve located adjacent the inflatable bladder of the return pouch.

14. (Original) The equipment shipping kit of claim 10, wherein the pouch includes an
inner layer made from polyethylene/nylon/polyethylene co-extrusion.

15. **(Currently Amended)** The **medical** equipment **package shipping kit** of claim 10, wherein the pouch includes an outer layer made from nylon/polyethylene laminate.

16. **(Original)** The equipment shipping kit of claim 10, wherein the pouch includes a top portion, a bottom portion, and a hinge connecting the top portion and bottom portion.

17. **(Original)** The equipment shipping kit of claim 16, wherein the pouch includes an adherence portion located at one of the top portion and the bottom portion such that when the pouch is folded along the hinge, the top portion and bottom portion can be adhered to each other to form a containment area between the top portion and bottom portion.

18. **(Original)** The equipment shipping kit of claim 10, wherein the seal at the open end of the primary pouch is a waterproof seal.

19. **(Canceled)**

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44. (New) An equipment shipping kit, comprising:
a pouch formed by at least one inflatable bladder and including,
a plurality of baffles, and
a valve located adjacent to the inflatable bladder;
a medical scope device located within the pouch; and
a primary pouch including an open end having a seal.

45. (New) The equipment shipping kit of claim 44, further comprising:
a secondary pouch including an open end having a seal.

46. (New) The equipment shipping kit of claim 44, further comprising:
a plurality of caps configured to be placed over portions of the equipment to protect the
pouch during shipment of the equipment.

47. (New) The equipment shipping kit of claim 44, further comprising:
a return pouch formed by at least one inflatable bladder and including
a plurality of baffles,
an opening located at an end of said return pouch, and
a valve located adjacent the inflatable bladder of the return pouch.

48. (New) The equipment shipping kit of claim 44, wherein the pouch includes an inner layer made from polyethylene /nylon/polyethylene co-extrusion.

49. (New) The equipment shipping kit of claim 44, wherein the pouch includes an outer layer made from nylon/polyethylene laminate.

50. (New) The equipment shipping kit of claim 44, further comprising:
at least one of a box and a suitcase.